

Appln No.: 10/646,436
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Amendment After Decision on Appeal

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This amendment is filed in response to the Decision of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences mailed April 22, 2008 for this application. Inasmuch as the rejection of the broader generic claims was affirmed, Applicants have amended claims 1 and 10 to include the limitations of claims 31 and 33, respectively. Claims 31 and 33 were objected to as dependent on a rejected claim but were otherwise considered to be allowable. Non-elected sequences have been canceled from the claims.

Method claims 20, 23 and 29 have been amended to contain the same limitations as the composition claims. Recombination of these previously withdrawn claims in this application is requested.

For these reasons, this application is now considered to be in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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